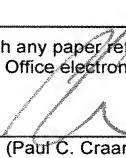


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### **PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.324 FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP IN PATENT PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. 256**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This petition is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.324 to add Anthony J. Tomasello as an inventor pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 256, and is accompanied by the following:

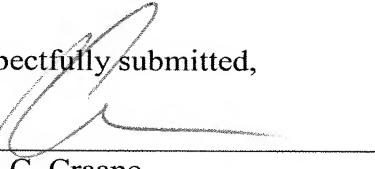
- (1) A statement from the person being added as an inventor, Anthony J. Tomasello, that the inventorship error occurred without any deceptive intention on his part;
- (2) A statement from each of the currently named inventors, Jeffrey Held and Satya P. Chauhan, that they have no disagreement in regard to the requested change of inventorship;
- (3) A statement from the assignee of Jeffrey Held, Satya P. Chauhan, and Anthony J. Tomasello, OpenCEL LLC, agreeing to the change of inventorship; and

(4) Authorization for the Director to charge the processing fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.20(b) (\$130.00) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 30811/40225 (the Director is also hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 30811/40225).

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be granted to correct inventorship in the above patent so as to properly show the inventors as Jeffrey Held, Satya P. Chauhan, and Anthony J. Tomasello.

Dated: December 31, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

By   
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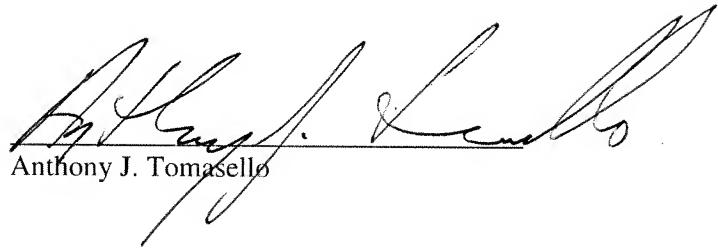
**STATEMENT OF ANTHONY J. TOMASELLO UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.324(B)(1)**

Dear Sir:

In support of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.324, filed herewith, Anthony J. Tomasello states:

- (a) that the inventorship error of failing to include him as an inventor of the above-identified patent occurred without any deceptive intention on his part; and
- (b) that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

Dated: November 26, 2007



Anthony J. Tomasello

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**STATEMENT OF JEFFREY HELD UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.324(B)(2)**

Dear Sir:

In support of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.324, filed herewith, Jeffrey Held states:

(a) that he has no disagreement in regard to the requested change of adding Anthony J. Tomasello as an inventor of the above-identified patent; and

(b) that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

Dated: 10/11/07

XJD  
Jeffrey Held

Docket No.: 30811/40225  
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**STATEMENT OF SATYA P. CHAUHAN UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.324(B)(2)**

Dear Sir:

In support of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.324, filed herewith, Satya P. Chauhan states:

(a) that he has no disagreement in regard to the requested change of adding Anthony J. Tomasello as an inventor of the above-identified patent; and

(b) that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

Dated: Dec 10, 2007

  
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Satya P. Chauhan

Docket No.: 30811/40225  
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**STATEMENT OF ASSIGNEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.324(B)(3) AND 3.73(B)**

Dear Sir:

In support of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.324, filed herewith, OpenCEL LLC:

(a) states, on information and belief, that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest of Jeffrey Held and Satya P. Chauhan, as well as that of Anthony J. Tomasello, in and to the above-identified patent application by virtue of (i) an assignment from Messrs. Held and Chauhan to DH2O L.L.C., which assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) at Reel 013618, Frame 0764, (ii) an assignment from DH2O L.L.C. to OpenCEL LLC, which assignment was recorded in the USPTO at Reel 016016, Frame 0366, and (iii) an assignment from Mr. Tomasello to OpenCEL L.L.C., attached; and

(b) agrees to the correction of inventorship in the above-identified patent to Jeffrey Held, Satya P. Chauhan and Anthony J. Tomasello.

The undersigned, Michael T. Gallagher, states:

(a) that he is authorized to act on behalf of OpenCEL LLC; and

(b) that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

Dated: 12 - 12 - 2007



Michael T. Gallagher  
President  
OpenCEL LLC

## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Anthony J. Tomasello (hereinafter "Tomasello") is being added as an inventor to U.S. Patent No. 7,001,520, issued on February 21,2006 and titled "METHOD FOR TREATING WASTE-ACTIVATED SLUDGE USING ELECTROPORATION" ("the Patent"); and

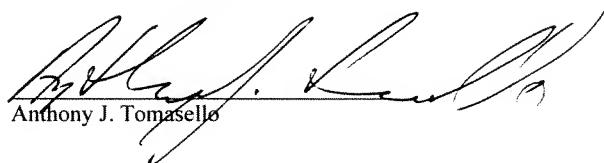
WHEREAS, OpenCEL LLC, a Delaware limited liability corporation, having its principal place of business at 315 Park Avenue 2W, Glencoe, Illinois 60022 (hereinafter "OpenCEL") is desirous of acquiring from Tomasello any right, title and interest in and to the Patent, and any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application claiming priority to the Patent, including U.S. Patent Application No. 11/198,703, filed on August 5, 2005, not previously received by virtue of the assignment of rights from DH2O L.L.C. to OpenCEL; and

WHEREAS, Tomasello wishes to assign, and OpenCEL wishes to acquire, any such rights, title and interest in and to the Patent, and any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application claiming priority to the Patent, including U.S. Patent Application No. 11/198,703;

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Tomasello, by these presents, does sell, assign and transfer unto OpenCEL, his entire right, title and interest in and to the Patent, and any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application claiming priority to the Patent, including U.S. Patent Application No. 11/198,703; the same to be held and enjoyed by OpenCEL for its own use and benefit and for the use and benefit of its legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the terms for which the patents are granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Tomasello had this assignment not been made. This assignment particularly includes an assignment of the rights to sue for and retain past, present, and future damages.

Tomasello warrants that he has the right to make this assignment and further warrants that there are no outstanding prior assignments, licenses, or other rights in the interest herein being assigned by him except in favor of OpenCEL.

Executed this 26th day of November, 2007.



Anthony J. Tomasello

State of Illinois }  
County of Cook }

On this 26th day of November, 2007 before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared Anthony J. Tomasello, to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed said instrument as his free and voluntary act and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal the same day and year last above given.

My Commission Expires: August 26, 2011

Barbara J. McLean  
Notary Public

